

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. **(Currently amended)** A method for detecting prognosis recurrence of cancer, which comprises at least a step of comprising detecting core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides in a sample collected from a biological organism to examine the relationship between the results of the detection and the prognosis of cancer in the biological organism, and analyzing the sample, wherein a higher level of core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides compared to normal indicates an increased risk for cancer recurrence.

2. **(Original)** The method according to claim 1, wherein the core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase is core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase-I.

3. **(Original)** The method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the biological organism is a human body.

4. **(Currently amended)** The method according to any one of claim[[s]] 1 or 2 to 3, wherein the sample is a living tissue.

5. **(Currently amended)** The method according to any one of claim[[s]] 1 or 2 to 4, wherein detecting of core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase is carried out by using a polypeptide capable of binding to core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase.

6. **(Original)** The method according to claim 5, wherein the polypeptide is an antibody or a polypeptide having its antigen-binding site.

7. **(Currently amended)** The method according to any one of claim[[s]] 1 to 6, wherein the cancer is one or at least two cancers selected from the group consisting of prostate cancer, testicular tumor and bladder cancer.

8. **(Cancelled).**

9. **(Cancelled)**

10. **(Cancelled)**

11. **(Withdrawn)** A kit for detecting prognosis of cancer, which comprises at least the following element (A):

(A) a first polypeptide capable of binding to core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase.

12. (Withdrawn) The kit according to claim 11, which further comprises at least the following element (B):

(B) a second polypeptide capable of specifically binding to the first polypeptide described in (A), and being labelled or capable of being labelled with a labelling substance.

13. (Withdrawn) The kit according to claim 11 or 12, wherein the polypeptide is an antibody or a polypeptide having its antigen-binding site.

14. (New) The method according to claim 6, wherein the antibody is polyclonal.

15. (New) The method according to claim 6, wherein the antibody or polypeptide having its antigen-binding site is detected by a second antibody or a second polypeptide having its antigen-binding site that is labelled or capable of being labelled with a labelling substance.

16. (New) The method according to claim 6, wherein the higher level of core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase compared to normal is indicated by detecting core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase in at least ten percent of the sample.

17. (New) A method for predicting recurrence of cancer in a subject, comprising:

providing a biological sample from the subject;

contacting the biological sample with an antibody having specificity for core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides; and

determining whether the antibody binds to the core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides at a higher level than normal controls, wherein a higher level of binding is indicative of an increased risk for cancer recurrence..

18. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase is core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase-I.

19. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the antibody is a polyclonal antibody.

20. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.

21. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the antibody is detected by a second antibody or a polypeptide having its antigen-binding site that is labelled or capable of being labelled with a labelling substance.

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22. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the higher level of binding is indicated by detecting core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides in at least ten percent of the sample.

23. (New) The method according to claim 22, wherein detecting core-2  $\beta$ 1,6-N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase polypeptides in at least ten percent of the sample is carried out by microscopic observation.